

In response to the NAB's lobbying efforts to limit the services that satellite radio can offer, I am sending this request that the FCC disregard the NAB's ridiculous efforts to stifle progress and innovation.

I subscribe to satellite radio for one reason, it offers far better service than the free stations in San Diego. The idea that satellite services like XM Radio should not be allowed to provide local services and content is asinine at best. Satellite services have just as much right to support their local listeners as competing FM and AM stations do.

The fact that I would rather pay for a radio service than listen to the awful stations in my area is a sign that XM is doing the right thing and understands the market better than its competitors. The FCC's response should not be to punish satellite providers and protect failing business models.

I want my local news, weather, and traffic and I want it from XM radio, not one of the dozen clear channel clones in San Diego. If the members of the FCC want to improve service for consumers, and improve the availability of news and accurate information, then the FCC should once again limit the scope and control that media conglomerates have by reducing the number of broadcast outlets any company can own in one area.

Then, and only then will the FCC be supporting what's in the best interest of the citizens of the United States, rather than what's best for big business.

Thank you,  
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